

TWENTIETH DAY.

(Saturday, February 28, 1931.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Holder.
Adamson.	Holland.
Adkins.	Holloway.
Akin.	Hoskins.
Albritton.	Howsley.
Alsup.	Hubbard.
Anderson.	Hughes.
Barron.	Jackson.
Bedford.	Johnson.
Bounds.	of Dallam.
Bradley.	Johnson.
Brice.	of Dimmit.
Brooks.	Johnson of Morris.
Bryant.	Jones of Shelby.
Burns of Walker.	Justiss.
Burns	Kayton.
of McCulloch.	Keller.
Carpenter.	Kennedy.
Caven.	Laird.
Claunch.	Lemens.
Coltrin.	Leonard.
Coombes.	Lilley.
Cox of Limestone.	Lockhart.
Cunningham.	Long.
Daniel.	McDougald.
Davis.	McGill.
Dodd.	McGregor.
Donnell.	Magee.
Dowell.	Metcalfe.
Dunlap.	Moore.
Duvall.	Morse.
Engelhard.	Munson.
Farmer.	Murphy.
Ferguson.	Nicholson.
Finn.	O'Quinn.
Fisher.	Patterson.
Forbes.	Petsch.
Ford.	Pope.
Fuchs.	Ramsey.
Gilbert.	Ratliff.
Giles.	Ray.
Goodman.	Richardson.
Graves.	Rogers.
Greathouse.	Rountree.
Grogan.	Sanders.
Hanson.	Satterwhite.
Hardy.	Savage.
Harman.	Scott.
Harrison	Shelton.
of El Paso.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of Waller.	Smith of Wood.
Hatchitt.	Sparkman.
Hefley.	Stephens.
Herzik.	Stevenson.
Hill.	Steward.
Hines.	Strong.

Tarwater.
Terrell
of Cherokee.
Towery.
Turner.
Van Zandt.
Wagstaff.

Walker.
Warwick.
Weinert.
West of Coryell.
Wyatt.
Young.

Absent.

Olsen.

Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Jones of Atascosa.	West of Cameron.
Lasseter.	Wiggs.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. John W. Holt, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Mehl and Mr. Reader for today, on motion of Mr. Kayton.

Mr. Moffett for today, on motion of Mr. Ratliff.

Mr. Adams of Jasper for today, on motion of Mr. Jones of Shelby.

Mr. Wiggs for today, on motion of Mr. Long.

Mr. Elliott for today, on motion of Mr. Hefley.

Mr. Veatch for today, on motion of Mr. Farmer.

Mr. Farrar for today, on motion of Mr. Albritton.

Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Martin for today, on motion of Mr. Anderson.

Mr. McCombs for today, on motion of Mrs. Hughes.

Mr. Adams of Harris and Mr. Vaughan for today, on motion of Mr. Harman.

Mr. Lasseter for today, on motion of Mr. Brooks.

Mr. Lee for today, on motion of Mr. Burns of McCulloch.

Mr. West of Cameron for today, on motion of Mr. Daniel.

Mr. Beck for today, on motion of Mr. Morse.

Mr. Mathis for today, on motion of Mr. McDougald.

Mr. DeWolfe and Mr. Bond for today, on motion of Mr. Metcalfe.

Mr. Sullivant and Mr. Giles for today on motion of Mr. Van Zandt.

Mr. Jones of Atascosa for today, on motion of Mr. West of Coryell.

Mr. Dale for today, on motion of Mr. Fisher.

Mr. Terrell of Val Verde for today, on motion of Mr. Leonard.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Boyd for today, on motion of Mr. Ratliff.

Mr. Baker for today, on motion of Mr. Farmer.

Mr. Cox of Lamar for today on account of the death of his brother, on motion of Mr. Coltrin.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Bond:

H. B. No. 752, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to game and fish in Kaufman county, Texas; providing that it shall be lawful to take or kill any of the wild fur-bearing animals of the State in Kaufman county, at any time; and that it shall be lawful to take or catch fish from the fresh waters of said county by hook and line or by seine, except that no fish make be taken by seine from the channel or running stream of the East Fork of the Trinity river; providing that this act shall be cumulative of other laws, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Morse:

H. B. No. 753, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and provide for the registration and licensing of motor vehicle and aircraft mechanics; creating a board for the administration of this act, prescribing certain penalties, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Cox of Limestone:

H. B. No. 754, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a rural school supervisor in certain counties in lieu of teachers' institutes; prescribing the duties of said supervisor; providing for visits of schools of the county and work in co-operation with the teachers, under the direction of the county school superintendent; prescribing the salary of said supervisor and how it shall be paid; providing other things incidental to said purpose, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Brooks:

H. B. No. 755, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 10 of Chapter 88, Acts of Second Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Counties.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, House bill No. 280 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Bradley, House bill No. 437 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Metcalfe, House bill No. 469 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert, House bill No. 671 and Senate bill No. 400 were ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Ramsey, House bill No. 570 was ordered not printed.

BILLS ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Bounds, House bill No. 413, reported adversely with a minority favorable report, was ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Burns of McCulloch, House bill No. 625, reported adversely with a minority favorable report, was ordered printed.

MOTION TO PRINT HOUSE BILL NO. 702.

Mr. Forbes moved that House bill No. 702, reported adversely with a minority favorable report, be printed.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—39.

Akin.	Bradley.
Alsup.	Brice.
Anderson.	Bryant.
Barron.	Burns
Bounds.	of McCulloch.

Coltrin.	Lockhart.
Cox of Limestone.	Magee.
Dodd.	Metcalfe.
Dowell.	Ray.
Engelhard.	Richardson.
Farmer.	Rogers.
Forbes.	Rountree.
Graves.	Scott.
Greathouse.	Smith of Wood.
Hanson.	Sparkman.
Hatchitt.	Stephens.
Hoskins.	Stevenson.
Hughes.	Strong.
Johnson	Terrell
of Dimmit.	of Cherokee.
Kennedy.	Wagstaff.

Nays—72.

Adamson.	Jackson.
Adkins.	Johnson of Morris.
Albritton.	Jones of Shelby.
Bedford.	Justiss.
Brooks.	Kayton.
Burns of Walker.	Keller.
Carpenter.	Lilley.
Caven.	Long.
Claunch.	McDougald.
Coombes.	McGregor.
Daniel.	Moore.
Davis.	Morse.
Donnell.	Munson.
Dunlap.	Murphy.
Duvall.	Nicholson.
Ferguson.	O'Quinn.
Finn.	Patterson.
Fisher.	Petsch.
Ford.	Pope.
Fuchs.	Ramsey.
Gilbert.	Ratliff.
Goodman.	Sanders.
Grogan.	Satterwhite.
Harman.	Savage.
Harrison	Shelton.
of El Paso.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of Waller.	Steward.
Hefley.	Tarwater.
Herzik.	Towery.
Hill.	Turner.
Hines.	Van Zandt.
Holder.	Walker.
Holland.	Warwick.
Holloway.	Weinert.
Howsley.	West of Coryell.
Hubbard.	Wyatt.

Absent.

Cunningham.	Leonard.
Johnson	McGill.
of Dallam.	Olsen.
Laird.	Westbrook.
Lemens.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Baker.
Adams of Jasper.	Beck.

Bond.	McCombs.
Boyd.	Martin.
Cox of Lamar.	Mathis.
Dale.	Mehl.
DeWolfe.	Moffett.
Dwyer.	Reader.
Elliott.	Sullivant.
Farrar.	Terrell
Giles.	of Val Verde.
Hardy.	Vaughan.
Jones of Atascosa.	Veatch.
Lasseter.	West of Cameron.
Lee.	Wiggs.

RELATIVE TO HOUSE BILL NO. 671.

Mr. Gilbert moved to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 671 was ordered not printed.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Question then recurring on the motion that House bill No. 671 be not printed, it was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 50 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Bounds called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor to use a telephone in the office, place of business or home of another person, firm or corporation for long-distance conversation and have the charges, fees and tolls therefor charged to the person, firm or corporation in whose name the telephone so used is registered without the consent of the person, firm or corporation in whose name such telephone is registered, and prescribing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Bounds, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

RELATIVE TO RESOLUTION PERIOD.

On motion of Mr. Metcalfe, the House agreed to dispense with further consideration of resolutions at this time.

HOUSE BILL NO. 703 ON SECOND READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

On motion of Mr. Holder, the regular order of business was suspended

to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 703, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing school trustees to issue interest-bearing warrants in payment of salaries of employes for the year 1930-1931; specifying the rate of interest at eight per cent; limiting the amount of warrants to be issued; giving such warrants preference over warrants issued for purposes other than payment of salaries, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 703 before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Holder offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 703 by adding at the end of Section 2 as a part of the sentence the following: "but such warrants shall cease to bear interest on December 31, 1931."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gilbert offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 703 by adding after the words "theretofore issued," in Section 3, the words, "or other obligations incurred."

Mr. Satterwhite moved further consideration of the bill be postponed at this time, and that the bill be set as a special order for 10:30 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

The motion was lost.

Question then recurring on the (committee) amendment, it was adopted.

Mr. Young offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 703, page 1, line 28, by striking out the words "proceeds of" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "remaining income from." And also by striking out in line 29 "heretofore received or."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Smith of Wood moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill, and the motion was not seconded.

Mr. Kennedy moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until 10:30 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to postpone was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Akin.
Anderson.

Barron.
Bounds.

Bryant.
Farmer.
Finn.
Fisher.
Hardy.
Harrison
of El Paso.
Hatchitt.
Hefley.
Johnson
of Dimmit.

Jones of Shelby.
Kayton.
Kennedy.
Long.
Moore.
O'Quinn.
Ray.
Satterwhite.
Terrell
of Cherokee.
Wyatt.

Nays—80.

Adamson.
Adkins.
Albritton.
Alsop.
Brice.
Brooks.
Burns of Walker.
Claunch.
Coltrin.
Coombes.
Cox of Limestone.
Cunningham.
Dale.
Daniel.
Davis.
Dodd.
Donnell.
Dowell.
Engelhard.
Ferguson.
Forbes.
Ford.
Gilbert.
Giles.
Goodman.
Graves.
Greathouse.
Grogan.
Hanson.
Herzik.
Hill.
Hines.
Holder.
Holland.
Holloway.
Hoskins.
Howsley.
Hubbard.
Hughes.
Jackson.

Johnson
of Dallam.
Johnson of Morris.
Justiss.
Keller.
Laird.
Lemens.
Leonard.
Lilley.
Lockhart.
McDougald.
McGill.
McGregor.
Magee.
Metcalf.
Morse.
Munson.
Murphy.
Patterson.
Petsch.
Pope.
Ratliff.
Richardson.
Rogers.
Rountree.
Savage.
Scott.
Shelton.
Smith of Bastrop.
Smith of Wood.
Sparkman.
Stevenson.
Steward.
Strong.
Tarwater.
Van Zandt.
Wagstaff.
Walker.
Warwick.
West of Coryell.
Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Stephens.

Absent.

Bedford.
Bradley.
Burns
of McCulloch.
Carpenter.
Caven.
Dunlap.

Duvall.
Fuchs.
Harman.
Harrison
of Waller.
Nicholson.
Olsen.

Ramsey.
Sanders.
Sherrill.
Towery.

Turner.
Weinert.
Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris. McCombs.
Adams of Jasper. Martin.
Baker. Mathis.
Beck. Mehl.
Bond. Moffett.
Boyd. Reader.
Cox of Lamar. Sullivant.
DeWolfe. Terrell
Dwyer. of Val Verde.
Elliott. Vaughan.
Farrar. Veatch.
Jones of Atascosa. West of Cameron.
Lasseter. Wiggs.
Lee. X

Mr. Tarwater offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 703 by striking out all of line 15, and the words "of term," line 15, Section 1, page 1.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Petsch offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 703 by striking out Section 2 of the bill and the words "interest-bearing" in line 17.

PETSCH,
HARDY.

(Mr. Young in the chair.)

Mr. Van Zandt offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend H. B. 703 by adding the words, "not to exceed" before the words "8 per cent" in Section 2.

(Speaker in the chair.)

(Pending consideration of the amendments Mr. Holder occupied the chair temporarily.)

Question first recurring on the substitute amendment by Mr. Van Zandt, it was adopted.

The amendment as substituted was then adopted.

Mr. Hefley offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 703 by striking out all of line 13 of the printed bill.

Mr. Young moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—63.

Adamson. Alsup.
Albritton. Bradley.

Brice.
Brooks.
Bryant.
Burns of Walker.
Burns
of McCulloch.
Daniel.
DeWolfe.
Dodd.
Dowell.
Duvall.
Engelhard.
Ferguson.
Finn.
Fisher.
Forbes.
Gilbert.
Hanson.
Herzik.
Hines.
Holder.
Holland.
Hoskins.
Howsley.
Hubbard.
Jackson.
Johnson
of Dallam.
Johnson
of Dimmit.
Johnson of Morris.
Jones of Shelby.

Nays—44.

Adkins.
Akin.
Anderson.
Barron.
Bedford.
Bounds.
Claunch.
Coombes.
Davis.
Donnell.
Farmer.
Ford.
Goodman.
Graves.
Grogan.
Hardy.
Harrison
of El Paso.
Harrison
of Waller.
Hatchitt.
Hefley.
Hill.
Holloway.
Hughes.
Kayton.
Keller.
Kennedy.
Long.
McGill.
Murphy.
O'Quinn.
Petsch.
Pope.
Ramsey.
Ratliff.
Sanders.
Satterwhite.
Savage.
Shelton.
Stephens.
Stevenson.
Turner.
Walker.
Warwick.
Wyatt.

Absent.

Carpenter.
Caven.
Coltrin.
Cox of Limestone.
Cunningham.
Dunlap.
Fuchs.
Giles.
Greathouse.
Harman.
Leonard.
Lockhart.
Olsen.
Richardson.
Weinert.
Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	McCombs.
Adams of Jasper.	Martin.
Baker.	Mathis.
Beck.	Mehl.
Bond.	Moffett.
Boyd.	Reader.
Cox of Lamar.	Sullivant.
Dale.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Jones of Atascosa.	West of Cameron.
Lasseter.	Wiggs.
Lee.	

Mr. Keller offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. 703, line 23 as amended, by striking out "eight" and inserting "six."

KELLER.
HUGHES.

Mr. Albritton offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Keller:

Amend H. B. No. 703 by striking out "eight per cent" wherever it appears and substituting therefor "four per cent."

Mr. Morse moved the previous question on the pending amendments and the bill and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the substituted amendment by Mr. Albritton, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—52.

Adkins.	Hines.
Akin.	Hughes.
Albritton.	Jones of Shelby.
Anderson.	Kayton.
Barron.	Keller.
Bounds.	Kennedy.
Bradley.	Leonard.
Brooks.	Lilley.
Claunch.	Long.
Coombes.	McGill.
Cox of Limestone.	Moore.
Davis.	Munson.
Donnell.	Murphy.
Duvall.	O'Quinn.
Farmer.	Patterson.
Graves.	Petsch.
Grogan.	Pope.
Hanson.	Ratliff.
Hardy.	Sanders.
Harrison	Savage.
of El Paso.	Scott.
Hatchitt.	Sparkman.
Hefley.	Stephens.
Hill.	Stevenson.

Tarwater.
Terrell
of Cherokee.

Walker.
Warwick.
Wyatt.

Nays—55.

Adamson.	Johnson
Alsup.	of Dimmit.
Bedford.	Johnson of Morris.
Brice.	Justiss.
Bryant.	Laird.
Burns of Walker.	Lemens.
Burns	Lockhart.
of McCulloch.	McDougald.
Coltrin.	McGregor.
Daniel.	Magee.
Dodd.	Morse.
Dowell.	Ramsey.
Engelhard.	Ray.
Ferguson.	Rogers.
Finn.	Rountree.
Fisher.	Satterwhite.
Forbes.	Shelton.
Ford.	Sherrill.
Gilbert.	Smith of Bastrop.
Goodman.	Smith of Wood.
Herzik.	Steward.
Holder.	Strong.
Holland.	Towery.
Holloway.	Turner.
Hoskins.	Van Zandt.
Howsley.	Wagstaff.
Hubbard.	West of Coryell.
Jackson.	Young.
Johnson of Dallam.	

Absent.

Carpenter.	Harrison
Caven.	of Waller.
Cunningham.	Metcalfe.
Dunlap.	Nicholson.
Fuchs.	Olsen.
Greathouse.	Richardson.
Harman.	Weinert.
	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Giles.	West of Cameron.
Jones of Atascosa.	Wiggs.
Lasseter.	

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Keller, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—84.

Adamson.	Johnson of Morris.
Adkins.	Jones of Shelby.
Akin.	Justiss.
Albritton.	Kayton.
Alsup.	Keller.
Anderson.	Kennedy.
Barron.	Lemens.
Bedford.	Leonard.
Bounds.	Lilley.
Bradley.	Lockhart.
Brice.	Long.
Brooks.	McDougald.
Bryant.	McGill.
Burns of Walker.	Magee.
Claunch.	Moore.
Coombes.	Munson.
Cox of Limestone.	Murphy.
Davis.	O'Quinn.
Donnell.	Patterson.
Dowell.	Petsch.
Engelhard.	Pope.
Farmer.	Ratliff.
Finn.	Ray.
Ford.	Rogers.
Goodman.	Sanders.
Graves.	Satterwhite.
Grogan.	Savage.
Hanson.	Scott.
Hardy.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Sparkman.
of El Paso.	Stephens.
Hatchitt.	Stevenson.
Hefley.	Steward.
Herzik.	Strong.
Hill.	Tarwater.
Hines.	Terrell
Holloway.	of Cherokee.
Hoskins.	Turner.
Howsley.	Wagstaff.
Hubbard.	Walker.
Hughes.	Warwick.
Jackson.	West of Coryell.
Johnson	Wyatt.
of Dimmit.	

Nays—21.

Burns	Johnson
of McCulloch.	of Dallam.
Coltrin.	Laird.
Daniel.	McGregor.
Dodd.	Morse.
Ferguson.	Rountree.
Fisher.	Shelton.
Forbes.	Smith of Bastrop.
Gilbert.	Smith of Wood.
Holder.	Towery.
Holland.	Van Zandt.
	Young.

Absent.

Carpenter.	Cunningham.
Caven.	Dunlap.

Duvall.	Nicholson.
Fuchs.	Olsen.
Greathouse.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Richardson.
Harrison	Weinert.
of Waller.	Westbrook.
Metcalf.	

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dal	Sullivan.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Giles.	West of Cameron.
Jones of Atascosa.	Wiggs.
Lasseter.	

House bill No. 703 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—72.

Adamson.	Johnson of Dimmit.
Adkins.	Johnson of Morris.
Albritton.	Jones of Shelby.
Alsup.	Justiss.
Bedford.	Keller.
Bradley.	Laird.
Brice.	Lemens.
Brooks.	Leonard.
Bryant.	Lilley.
Burns of Walker.	Lockhart.
Burns	McDougald.
of McCulloch.	McGregor.
Claunch.	Magee.
Coltrin.	Moore.
Cox of Limestone.	Morse.
Daniel.	Munson.
Dodd.	Patterson.
Dowell.	Ratliff.
Duvall.	Ray.
Engelhard.	Rogers.
Farmer.	Rountree.
Ferguson.	Scott.
Forbes.	Sherrill.
Ford.	Smith of Bastrop.
Gilbert.	Smith of Wood.
Hanson.	Sparkman.
Hines.	Steward.
Holder.	Strong.
Holland.	Tarwater.
Holloway.	Terrell of Cherokee.
Hoskins.	Towery.
Howsley.	Van Zandt.
Hubbard.	Wagstaff.
Hughes.	Warwick.
Jackson.	West of Coryell.
Johnson	Wyatt.
of Dallam.	Young.

Nays—32.

Akin.	Hill.
Anderson.	Kayton.
Barron.	Long.
Bounds.	McGill.
Coombes.	Murphy.
Davis.	O'Quinn.
Donnell.	Petsch.
Fisher.	Pope.
Goodman.	Sanders.
Graves.	Satterwhite.
Grogan.	Savage.
Hardy.	Shelton.
Harrison	Stephens.
of El Paso.	Stevenson.
Hatchitt.	Turner.
Hefley.	Walker.
Herzik.	

Present—Not Voting.

Kennedy.

Absent.

Carpenter.	Harrison
Caven.	of Waller.
Cunningham.	Metcalfe.
Dunlap.	Nicholson.
Finn.	Olsen.
Fuchs.	Ramsey.
Greathouse.	Richardson.
Harman.	Weinert.
	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Giles.	West of Cameron.
Jones of Atascosa.	Wiggs.
Lasseter.	

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MOTION TO TAKE UP HOUSE
BILL NO. 703.

Mr. Young moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 703 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary four-fifths vote):

Yeas—72.

Adamson.	Albritton.
Adkins.	Alsup.

Bradley.	Justiss.
Brice.	Keller.
Brooks.	Laird.
Bryant.	Lemens.
Burns of Walker.	Leonard.
Burns	Lilley.
of McCull ch.	Lockhart.
Claunch.	McDougald.
Coltrin.	McGregor.
Cox of Limestone.	Magee.
Daniel.	Moore.
Dodd.	Morse.
Dowell.	Munson.
Duvall.	Patterson.
Ferguson.	Petsch.
Finn.	Ratliff.
Fisher.	Ray.
Forbes.	Rogers.
Ford.	Scott.
Gilbert.	Shelton.
Hanson.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of Waller.	Smith of Wood.
Hines.	Sparkman.
Holder.	Steward.
Holland.	Strong.
Holloway.	Tarwater.
Hoskins.	Terrell
Howsley.	of Cherokee.
Hubbard.	Towery.
Hughes.	Van Zandt.
Johnson	Wagstaff.
of Dallam.	Warwick.
Johnson	West of Coryell.
of Dimmit.	Wyatt.
Johnson of Morris.	Young.
Jones of Shelby.	

Nays—32.

Akin.	Hatchitt.
Anderson.	Hefley.
Barron.	Herzik.
Bedford.	Hill.
Bounds.	Kayton.
Coombes.	Kennedy.
Davis.	Long.
Donnell.	McGill.
Engelhard.	Murphy.
Farmer.	O'Quinn.
Goodman.	Pope.
Graves.	Satterwhite.
Grogan.	Savage.
Hardy.	Stephens.
Harman.	Turner.
Harrison	Walker.
of El Paso.	

Absent.

Carpenter.	Metcalfe.
Caven.	Nicholson.
Cunningham.	Olsen.
Dunlap.	Ramsey.
Fuchs.	Richardson.
Greathouse.	Rountree.
Jackson.	Sanders.

Stevenson. Westbrock.
Weinert.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Giles.	West of Cameron.
Jones of Atascosa.	Wiggs.
Lasseter.	

BILLS AND RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following resolution and enrolled bills:

H. C. R. No. 28, Memorializing Congress in regard to Foreign Relations Committee.

H. B. No. 436, "An Act to create and validate Cameron County Water Control and Improvement District No. 18 in Cameron county, Texas, as a conservation and reclamation district; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect to the original organization of Cameron County Water Control and Improvement District No. 18, under Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 545, "An Act to create Cameron County Water Improvement District No. 8 in Cameron county, Texas, as a water improvement district, with the powers of a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas; defining its territorial limits, purposes and powers; to validate the bonds of said district in the principal sum of \$1,000,000, with attached interest coupons dated June 1, 1929, as legal and binding obligations of such district as hereby created, and the taxes levied in payment therefor, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 192, "An Act to levy and collect annually a three-dollar road tax against all able-bodied male citizens of Hays county, Texas, who are between the ages of twenty-one and

forty-five years; providing the manner of assessment and collection of said tax and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 50, "An Act making it a misdemeanor to use a telephone in the office, place of business or home of another person, firm or corporation for long-distance conversation and have the charges, fees and tolls therefor charged to the person, firm or corporation in whose name the telephone so used is registered without the consent of the person, firm or corporation in whose name such telephone is registered, and prescribing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

HOUSE BILL NO. 244 WITH SEN- ATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Petsch called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 244, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining the offense of kidnapping for extortion, ransom or robbery, and prescribing the punishment."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Petsch, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

Yeas—109.

Adamson.	Engelhard.
Adkins.	Farmer.
Akin.	Ferguson.
Albritton.	Finn.
Alsup.	Fisher.
Anderson.	Forbes.
Barron.	Ford.
Bedford.	Gilbert.
Bounds.	Goodman.
Bradley.	Graves.
Brice.	Grogan.
Brooks.	Hanson.
Bryant.	Hardy.
Burns of Walker.	Harman.
Burns	Harrison
of McCulloch.	of El Paso.
Claunch.	Harrison
Coltrin.	of Waller.
Coombes.	Hatchitt.
Cox of Limestone.	Hefley.
Daniel.	Herzik.
Davis.	Hill.
Dodd.	Hines.
Donnell.	Holder.
Dowell.	Holland.
Duvall.	Holloway.

Hoskins.	Pope.
Howsley.	Ramsey.
Hubbard.	Ratliff.
Hughes.	Ray.
Jackson.	Rogers.
Johnson.	Rountree.
of Dallam.	Sanders.
Johnson	Satterwhite.
of Dimmit.	Savage.
Johnson of Morris.	Scott.
Jones of Shelby.	Shelton.
Justiss.	Sherrill.
Kayton.	Smith of Bastrop.
Keller.	Smith of Wood.
Kennedy.	Sparkman.
Laird.	Stephens.
Lemens.	Stevenson.
Leonard.	Steward.
Lilley.	Strong.
Long.	Tarwater.
McDougald.	Terrell
McGill.	of Cherokee.
McGregor.	Towery.
Magee.	Turner.
Metcalf.	Van Zandt.
Moore.	Wagstaff.
Morse.	Walker.
Munson.	Warwick.
Murphy.	West of Coryell.
O'Quinn.	Wyatt.
Patterson.	Young.
Petsch.	

Absent.

Carpenter.	Lockhart.
Caven.	Nicholson.
Cunningham.	Olsen.
Dunlap.	Richardson.
Fuchs.	Weinert.
Giles.	Westbrook.
Greathouse.	

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan.
Farrar.	Veatch.
Jones of Atascosa.	West of Cameron.
Lasseter.	Wiggs.

MOTION FOR SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. McGregor moved that House bill No. 139 be set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. next Tuesday.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

Yeas—54.

Adamson.	Leonard.
Adkins.	Lockhart.
Albritton.	Long.
Alsup.	McDougald.
Anderson.	McGregor.
Bounds.	Magee.
Bradley.	Morse.
Brice.	O'Quinn.
Bryant.	Patterson.
Coltrin.	Pope.
Davis.	Rogers.
Donnell.	Rountree.
Dowell.	Sanders.
Duvall.	Satterwhite.
Engelhard.	Savage.
Ferguson.	Shelton.
Finn.	Smith of Bastrop.
Gilbert.	Smith of Wood.
Giles.	Sparkman.
Harrison	Stevenson.
of Waller.	Steward.
Hatchitt.	Towery.
Herzik.	Turner.
Holland.	Van Zandt.
Hoskins.	Walker.
Jones of Shelby.	Wyatt.
Keller.	Young.
Lemens.	

Nays—49.

Akin.	Hughes.
Barron.	Johnson
Bedford.	of Dimmit.
Brooks.	Johnson of Morris.
Burns of Walker.	Justiss.
Burns	Kayton.
of McCulloch.	Kennedy.
Claunch.	Laird.
Coombes.	Lilley.
Cox of Limestone.	McGill.
Daniel.	Moore.
Dodd.	Munson.
Farmer.	Murphy.
Fisher.	Petsch.
Forbes.	Ratliff.
Ford.	Ray.
Goodman.	Scott.
Graves.	Sherrill.
Grogan.	Stephens.
Hardy.	Strong.
Harman.	Tarwater.
Harrison	Terrell
of El Paso.	of Cherokee.
Hill.	Wagstaff.
Holloway.	Warwick.
Howsley.	West of Coryell.
Hubbard.	

Present—Not Voting.


Hanson.

Absent.

Carpenter.	Dunlap.
Caven.	Fuchs.
Cunningham.	Greathouse.

Hefley.	Nicholson.
Hines.	Olsen.
Holder.	Ramsey.
Jackson.	Richardson.
Johnson.	Weinert.
of Dallam.	Westbrook.
Metcalf.	

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Lee.
Adams of Jasper.	McCombs.
Baker.	Martin.
Beck.	Mathis.
Bond.	Mehl.
Boyd.	Moffett.
Cox of Lamar.	Reader.
Dale.	Sullivant.
DeWolfe.	Terrell
Dwyer.	of Val Verde.
Elliott.	Vaughan. 
Farrar.	Veatch.
Jones of Atascosa.	West of Cameron.
Lasseter.	Wiggs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 615 ON SECOND READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

On motion of Mr. Pope, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to empower cities having a population of not less than 27,000 nor more than 28,000 inhabitants, as shown by the last Federal census and operating under a special charter originally granted by the Legislature of the State of Texas and which shall own and operate their light systems or water systems or sewer systems or gas systems or either one or more of said systems to encumber any one or more of said systems, the incomes thereof and everything pertaining thereto or any part thereof, and by the terms of such incumbrance to grant to the purchaser, under any sale or foreclosure under such incumbrance a franchise to operate said incumbered system or systems for not over twenty years after such purchase, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 615 before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 615 by striking out the word "last" in the sec-

ond line of the caption and the word "last" in second line of Section 1 and in each place insert the figures "1930."

(2)

Amend House bill No. 615 by striking out the word "incumbent" in the last sentence of Section 1, and the word "incumbent" in the first sentence of Section 5, and insert in lieu of said word "incumbent" in each place eliminated the word "encumbered."

(3)

Amend House bill No. 615 by adding at the end of Section 1 the following: "Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting any such city or town from mortgaging and incumbering any one or more of said systems for the purpose of purchasing, building, improving, enlarging, extending, repairing or reconstructing another one or more of said systems and purchasing necessary land and other properties in connection therewith in the discretion of the governing body thereof."

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 615 was then passed to engrossment.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE HOUSE RULES.

Mr. Morse sent up the following proposed amendments to the House Rules:

(1)

Resolved, That Section 3, Rule 9, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the period at the end of said section and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "by the House."

(2)

Resolved, That Section 5, Rule 9, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by adding the words "and filed" after the word "signed" in line 6, and after the word "signed" in line 9.

(3)

Resolved, That Section 8, Rule 9, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the words "within six days after the expiration of the first sixty days of such session" and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "not later than the sixty-sixth day of such session."

(4)

Resolved, That Section 9, Rule 12, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "for" in the last line of said section, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "or."

(5)

Resolved, That Section 4, Rule 13, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "seconded" in line 4, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "ordered."

(6)

Resolved, That Section 8, Rule 13, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "or" in the last line thereof, and substituting the word "of."

(7)

Resolved, That Section 6, Rule 14, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "seconded" in lines 2 and 3, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "ordered."

(8)

Resolved, That Rule 18, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the period at the end of said rule, and substituting the following in lieu thereof: "except as otherwise provided herein."

(9)

Resolved, That Section 8, Rule 19, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the words "first considered," in line 4, and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "considered first and second, respectively."

(10)

Resolved, That Section 6, Rule 21, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the following words in lines 1 and 2: "made to a report committed to," and substituting in lieu thereof the words "adopted by."

(11)

Resolved, That Section 2, Rule 23, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by inserting the word "on" between the words "except" and "Senate," in line 4.

(12)

Resolved, That Section 2, Rule 4, Rules of the House of Representa-

tives, be amended by striking out the quotation marks in line 3 and in line 10.

(13)

Resolved, That Section 6, Rule 4, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "all" in line 3, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "as."

(14)

Resolved, That Section 8, Rule 4, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out all after the word "committee" in the next to last line of said rule, and substituting in lieu thereof a period.

(15)

Resolved, That Section 2, Rule 9, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by placing a comma after the word "House" in line 6, and striking out the comma after word "charged" in line 7.

(16)

Resolved, That Section 14, Rule 9, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "on" in line 1, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "of."

(17)

Resolved, That Section 5, Rule 19, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by placing a comma after the word "bills" in line 1 of the third paragraph of said section, and striking out the comma after the word "reading" in the second line of the third paragraph of said section.

(18)

Resolved, That Section 5, Rule 19, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the last four words in the last paragraph of said section, and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "consider a conference report or Senate amendments."

(19)

Resolved, That Section 8, Rule 19, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "adopted" in line 5, and substituting in lieu thereof the words "disposed of."

(20)

Resolved, That Section 10, Rule 19, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "in" where it first appears in line 8.

(21)

Resolved, That Section 5, Rule 20, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by inserting the word "be" before the word "ready" in line 4.

(22)

Resolved, That Section 7, Rule 20, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the word "the" in the first line thereof, and substituting in lieu thereof the word "a," and by inserting the word "as" between the words "or" and "a" in line 3.

(23)

Resolved, That Section 10, Rule 20, Rules of the House of Representatives, be amended by striking out the comma in line 1 thereof.

The amendments were referred by the Speaker to the Committee on Rules.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bill was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

Senate bill No. 136, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Anderson moved that the House adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. next Tuesday.

Mr. Albritton moved that the House adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

The motion of Mr. Albritton prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 12:45 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Agriculture: House bill No. 46; Senate bill No. 237.

Game and Fisheries: House bills Nos. 437, 469, 610, 671, 727; Senate bills Nos. 111 and 400.

Constitutional Amendments: House joint resolutions Nos. 12, 19 and 26.

Insurance: House bill No. 9.

Judicial Districts: House bill No. 45.

Highways and Motor Traffic: House bills Nos. 280, 448 and 750.

Privileges, Suffrage and Elections: House bills Nos. 24 and 457.

The following committee has filed an adverse report as follows:

Criminal Jurisprudence: House bill No. 382.

The Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections filed an adverse report with a minority favorable report on House bill No. 151.

The Committee on Game and Fisheries filed an adverse report with a minority favorable report on House bill No. 625.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 27, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 192, "An Act to levy and collect annually a three (\$3.00) dollar road tax against all able-bodied male citizens of Hays county, Texas, who are between the ages of twenty-one and forty-five years; providing the manner of assessment and collection of said tax, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 28, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. 545, "An Act to create Cameron County Water Improvement District No. 8, in Cameron county, Texas, as a water improvement district with the powers of a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, defining its territorial limits, purposes and powers; to validate the bonds of said district, in the principal sum of one million (\$1,000,000) dollars with attached interest coupons, dated June 1, 1929, as legal and binding obligations of such district as hereby created, and the taxes levied in payment therefor; also validating the orders and proceedings of the county commissioners court of said county in regard to the

creation, establishment and organization of such district, the acts of the board of directors of said district prior to the entry of the decree next mentioned, the decree of the district court of Cameron county, Texas, One Hundred and Third Judicial District, rendered July 17, 1929, in cause No. 8565, entitled: In Re: Cameron County Water Improvement District No. 8, in Cameron county, Texas (which decree validates and adjudges valid the creation, establishment and organization of said district, and the aforesaid bonds thereof and levy of tax in payment therefor), the subsequent orders of the board of directors admitting adjacent acreage into said district, and the issuance, execution, recording, registration and approval of said bonds, and authorizing taxes hereafter to be levied in payment of such bonds and interest thereon, and declaring such bonds, with their coupons, the legal and binding obligations of said district with the territorial limits defined in this act, and to be lawfully available for sale; and to evidence proof of the publication of constitutional notice required in such cases, and to declare an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 28, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 436, "An Act to create and validate Cameron County Water Control and Improvement District No. 18, in Cameron county, Texas, as a conservation and reclamation district; validating and approving all orders made by the commissioners court of said county in respect to the original organization of Cameron County Water Control and Improvement District No. 18, under Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution; validating and approving all orders made by the board of directors of said district; providing that the board of directors of said district shall have and exercise all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred and imposed by the provisions of Chapter 25, of the General Laws of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, passed at its Regular Session in 1925, and all amendments thereto now in force or hereafter to be enacted; validating all assessments

of taxes, the authorization, and issuance of bonds thereof; validating an election held on the 14th day of November, 1930; validating the order authorizing said election, the notices thereof, the returns and order canvassing the result of said election, and all other orders and matters pertaining thereto; validating all orders with respect to the levy, assessment and collection of general ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said district; constituting all orders of the board of directors and certified copies thereof legal evidence; providing for a board of directors of said district, enacting provisions incident and necessary to the subject and purpose of of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 28, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 28, Memorializing the Senate of the United States relative to the United States Senate resolution No. 442 and United States Senate resolution No. 443 and subcommittee report of the Foreign Relations Committee on trade relations with China and causes and remedy for depressed conditions of commerce.

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 28, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 50, "An Act making it a misdemeanor to use a telephone in the office, place of business or home of another person, firm or corporation for long-distance conversation and have the charges, fees and tolls therefor charged to the person, firm or corporation in whose name the telephone so used is registered, without the consent of the person, firm or corporation in whose name such telephone is registered, and prescribing a penalty therefor."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

In Memory
of
Mr. James H. Cox

Mr. Coltrin offered the following resolution:

Whereas, A kind Providence has permitted the ongoing of a brother of a highly respected and beloved member of this body, Hon. G. J. Cox of Lamar county; therefore be it

Resolved, That the sincere sympathy of the members of the House of Representatives of the State of Texas be and the same is hereby expressed to the Hon. G. J. Cox on account of the death of his brother, Mr. James H. Cox, which event occurred in Memphis, Tenn., in the early morning of Saturday, February 28, and that this House, while feeling its impotency to alleviate the sorrows of this great bereavement, does also extend this expression of grief and sympathy to all other relatives of the deceased.

COLTRIN,
BROOKS,
GILBERT,
BURNS of McCulloch,
HOSKINS,
STEPHENS.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted by a rising vote.